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**From:** MUSANTE, JASON  
**Sent:** Mon 8/17/2015 7:16:53 PM  
**Subject:** RE: San Gabriel Valley Area 3; Elite Cleaners

Hi Miriam --

I understand the concern and want to note that your request now to take some action is a change from our recent discussions of no further action required by the ERS at Elite. A non-time critical is probably isn't the route to go; I'd suggest a time-critical instead. Unfortunately this is not a good time to discuss or make plans for any action as the ERS is currently involved in two large emergency responses, Gold King Mine and Typhoon Soudelor. My best availability will be at the beginning of October and I look forward to discussing how best to move forward at Elite at that time.

Thank you,

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**From:** Fawaz, Mariam  
**Sent:** Monday, August 17, 2015 11:46 AM  
**To:** MUSANTE, JASON  
**Subject:** RE: San Gabriel Valley Area 3; Elite Cleaners

Hello Jason,

Can we have another discussion about Elite Cleaners? I recently saw that Lisa had recommended a non-time critical mitigation back in January. After a discussion with the site toxicologist and review of the site I am agreeing with Lisa's initial recommendation. What concerns me the most is the concentrations when the HVAC is off and the potential for increased VI at the site.

When the HVAC is on at Elite Cleaners the indoor air concentrations of TCE and PCE are within the acceptable limits for risk and do not require any immediate action. However when the HVAC is off, TCE was detected at 15.3 ug/m<sup>3</sup> which is above the Accelerated Response Action Level of 8 ug/m<sup>3</sup> for commercial/industry for an 8 hour day. In addition, the VI potential based on the attenuation factors of 0.003 for soil gas is concerning, 16.5 ug/m<sup>3</sup> for TCE and 2190 ug/m<sup>3</sup> for PCE. It is good that the HVAC is capable of reducing the TCE and PCE concentrations in indoor air to acceptable levels. I would like to explore mitigation options for this site. Could we discuss the possibility of taking a non-time critical action at the site?

I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Mariam

**From:** MUSANTE, JASON  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 15, 2015 2:40 PM  
**To:** Fawaz, Mariam  
**Cc:** Benson, Craig  
**Subject:** RE: San Gabriel Valley Area 3; Elite Cleaners

Hi Mariam –

As per our phone conversation, it is my understanding that you will be following up with the property owner at the Elite Cleaners site. Please find attached the assessment report from my START contractor that documents the results of sampling we conducted.

Please contact me with any additional questions.

Thank you,

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**From:** Fawaz, Mariam  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 09, 2015 5:52 PM  
**To:** MUSANTE, JASON  
**Subject:** RE: San Gabriel Valley Area 3; Elite Cleaners

Hello Jason,

Would you have any time to discuss SGV Area 3 Thursday or Friday? I only have one meeting on Thursday between 10-11 am. Let me know if any time works for you.

Thanks,

Mariam

**From:** MUSANTE, JASON  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 02, 2015 2:20 PM  
**To:** Fawaz, Mariam  
**Subject:** Re: San Gabriel Valley Area 3; Elite Cleaners

Hi Mariam -

I am based in Southern California at the Emergency Response Section warehouse in Signal Hill. Further, I will be on-site at an oil spill in Santa Barbara until 6/13, followed by travel to Chicago until 6/19. I may be available for a short call this week; please suggest a time.

Thank you,

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On Jun 2, 2015, at 12:29, Fawaz, Mariam <[Fawaz.Mariam@epa.gov](mailto:Fawaz.Mariam@epa.gov)> wrote:

Dear Jason,

I'm am the new RPM for San Gabriel Valley Area 3 site. Could we discuss the Elite Cleaners last sampling event and plans to address the contamination? Would you be able to briefly meet later this week to discuss this site?

Thank you,

Mariam Fawaz

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